

THE HOME.

THE SUNSET.

Low, in the west the setting sun
Far over hills of blue
Within the veil of evening haze
Is sinking from our view.

Dim grows the light, but inkly clouds
With tenderness enfold.
The beauty of the parting day
In loveliness untold.

The silver stars in eastern skies
Add to this scene of bliss.
The world in rapture blushes 'neath
The parting golden kiss.

—ANONYMOUS.

Some Summer Hints.

The busy days are upon us and the hot weather. Many people are too busy to be sick and too careless to be well. Summer is the time for a renewal of life and vigor, but unless there is a little knowledge of Nature's laws and a good deal of carefulness in following them it is more likely to be a "sickly season."

In the first place, Nature invites us with a thousand voices to come out of doors into the sunshine and fresh air. Let your broad open porch or the big shady tree in your yard be your sitting room. Open your doors and windows and invite the air into your houses. Sunshine and fresh air are the cheapest and best of medicines and disinfectants. Stop several times a day to draw in long deep breaths; learn to breathe deeply and take this medicine regularly.

Next, drink much water,—not at meal time but the first thing in the morning, the last thing at night, and often between meals. The system is clogged with waste matter and needs flushing with water. The sweat glands of the skin are demanding water and water must be supplied them.

Water is needed on the outside as well as the inside. The pores of the skin must be kept open so the body can rid itself of the many impurities carried by the blood. In the skin there are millions of these little mouths we call pores and they must not be stopped up with dirt or the health will suffer. Water outside and inside then, plenty of it and often.

The body demands a different kind of food in hot weather from that needed in cold, and Nature gives us broad hints on this subject. Summer is the time of fruits and vegetables. The hens lay better, the cows give more milk. Nature covers our hills with blackberry vines and huckleberry bushes. Neither does she forget the strawberry and raspberry. Through taste and smell she urges us to partake of the fruits she provides in such abundance.

Let us be wise then and follow her teachings,—substitute milk and eggs for meat and eat of the vegetables and fruit she provides.

JENNIE LESTER HILL.

THE FARM.

POSSIBLE PROFITS IN STRAW-BERRIES.

What a New York Grower Says.

The strawberry bed that has been cared for properly, costing in the neighborhood of \$100 up to the first winter, ought to produce on an average 5,000 quarts of berries to the acre, and these ought to sell at an average price of 10 cents per quart. There are people who have claimed to get 20,000 quarts to the acre, and I have myself raised at the rate of 16,000 quarts of Crescents and 13,200 quarts of Parker Earle to the acre. I think I could do as well with such kinds as Sample, Sunshine, Glen Mary, Ridge way, Clyde, Barton and several others. There are other varieties that will not produce quite as many quarts, but being earlier or later, will bring as much money. There are always of years, caused by grubs, droughts, excessively wet weather, frosts, etc., and 5,000 quarts to the acre is a good safe average for the average well-tended strawberry bed. The varieties that are especially adapted for my section are Ridgeway, Rough Rider, Sunshine, Glen Mary, Clyde, Johnson's Early, Seaford and Barton.

The first thing to do with the strawberry bed in the spring, before the fruiting season, is to remove the covering. This we do by raking lightly into the paths with garden rakes. The straw is then carried off the field and placed on the ends of the rows. Then a good dressing of commercial fertilizer is scattered by hand right on the row of plants, and brushed in by going over with broom. We aim to put on 500 pounds to the acre of fertilizer that analyzes about 3.30 per cent nitrogen, six per cent phosphoric acid (available), 10 per cent potash. Some of the rows are dug close for plants. We do not dig up the entire row, but dig all the young plants, leaving the old or parent plant to bear fruit. The reason we do not dig the old plants up is that no one

wants them, although we consider them as valuable as the young plants. If left to fruit, they bear a good crop of the finest berries, because not crowded in the row. Of course if the rows are dug for plants, we do not get the 5,000 quarts to the acre. All perennial weeds, such as dock, dandelion and chickweed, are cut or pulled out. Chickweed is the bane of the strawberry business when once it gets in, and it must be fought relentlessly. It is impossible to estimate the cost of weeding in the spring because of the chickweed. The weeding of the strawberry bed can be done safely at any time before the fruit is ripe, but best results are secured when done as early in the Spring as possible. If done late in the season and the weather is dry the plants will be disturbed and much loss of crop will result.

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THE SCHOOL.

EDUCATION A POWER.

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A tabulation of the men prominent in the life of our nation brings out the same facts even more prominently. A list of the Presidents, members of the Supreme Court, Senate, House of Representatives and Governors of the States, when studied in this same way, emphasizes the fact that a college education gives its possessor an opportunity far and away in advance of those not so favored. The training, the discipline, the acquaintanceship, and the other incidental advantages, give the college man an immeasurable advantage. We do not say that every young person should go through college, for we know that this is out of the reach of most of them, but we do say that it pays every one who can possibly secure this training. Dr. Smith makes four general statements, drawn from his statistics.

He finds that the uneducated person has only one chance in 150,000 of attaining distinction. A common school education will increase his chances nearly four times. A high-school education will increase his chances twenty-three times over the common school boy, or about ninety times over the uneducated one. The college education increases his chances over the high-school boy about nine times, over the common-school boy about 220 times, and over the uneducated one more than eight hundred times.

Such an advantage in the competitions of life lead us to think of a college education as much more than a luxury. It is a power, and an advantage, an opportunity, to be grasped by every one within whose reach it is. Let the opening years of life be devoted, so far as possible, to the business of preparing for the duties and responsibilities that will come.

THE LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

I promise to try my best: 1. Never to drink anything that can make me drunk. 2. Never to use tobacco or cigarettes. 3. Never to use bad words.

The following are the names of those who signed the above temperance pledge in Mrs. Stephens' school, Berea, this county:

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| Nannie Galloway | Bessie Boggs |
| Ernest Shockley | James Hatfield |
| Laura Smith | Lizzie Moore |
| Lella Hardin | Lillie Smith |
| Mary Abney | Nora Welch |
| Robert Sharp | Leslie Hatfield |
| Nannie Robinson | Bernard Lewis |
| Hampton Burns | Daisy Williams |
| Charley Robinson | Floyd Shockley |
| Maggie Williams | Lewis Sharp |
| Stanley Fowler | Ethla Hardin |
| Maynard Lewis | Fannie Dowden |
| Carrie Burton | Nath Mehaffey |
| Lucy Holliday | Orris Moore |
| Florence Williams | S. Richardson |
| Cal Chasteen | Maudie Clark |
| Floyd Robinson | Elmo McClure |
| Willie Huff | Agnes Wesley |
| Beulah Todd | Jimmie Ogg |
| Rosa Evans | Herbert Todd |
| Elmer Lewis | Albert Osborne |
| Ida Morgan | Ethel Duncan |
| Callie Huff | Lizzie Gabbard |
| Harold King | Bertha Powell |
| Lizzie Moore | Martha Muncey |
| Hughie Conn | Pearl Seale |
| Simon Muncey | Tommie Baker |

Jerry Lainhart

A Little Early Riser

Now and then at bedtime will cure constipation, biliousness and liver troubles. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the famous little pills that cure by arousing the secretions, moving the bowels gently, yet effectually, and giving such tone and strength to the glands of the stomach and liver that the cause of the trouble is removed entirely, and if their use is continued for a few days, there will be no return of the complaint. Sold by East End Drug Co.

Elder's Bargain Store



CARPET DEPARTMENT

The most luscious and tempting fruit of the auction rooms are crowded into this department. That means this department is crowded with the most desirable goods. All patterns have been carefully selected, and are pleasing to the eye. Ring up 34, and let us come and take the measure of your room and brighten it up for you with a nice Carpet or Matting. If there is one stock in our store that we are extremely proud of, it is our Matting. Come and let us prove to you that we can save you from 10 to 15c on the yard. Floor Oil Cloth, 19c to 64c per yard. Carpets from 10 to 99c.

In Shoes, We Can't Be Beat!

We have a nice line of Shoes. Prices to suit every buyer! People who are particular about their footwear will find our new Spring Shoes a delight to the eye, and a comfort to the foot. Strikingly handsome models of fashions, newest creations—they have that indescribable air of smartness that gives the well-gowned woman a particular pride in the appearance of her foot. Ladies' fine Shoes \$1.00 to \$4.00. Men's Shoes \$1.00 to \$4.00. Infants' Shoes, 10c to 95c.

Hamburgs and Laces!

Day after day people swarm around this counter purchasing the many bargains thereon. Low prices are all right if backed up by best qualities, otherwise there is no value in their cheapness. We do not buy goods unless we can sell them lower than all others do. We use every known effort in this department that experience and money power gives, to secure the best values for the least money. We can truly say we have no competition on lace and embroidery, the proof is in comparison. Try and convince yourself.

LACE CURTAINS.

Have you any windows that have no curtains? If so, do not let them go bare any longer, when you can buy curtains at 39c per pair! 75c per pair for lace curtains 3 yards long, good width, in imitation of antique lace and striped effects; would be cheap at \$1.50. You can't appreciate the value of these goods unless you see them. Come and let us show you our line from 39c to \$1.98. Nice line of linen shades, all colors to select from, from 5c to 39c, including all the fixtures.

Our Muslin Underwear Department

is full of bargains! Can only be appreciated by being seen. Skirts, Gowns, Chemises, Drawers, Corset Covers, etc., all at very low prices. We have a nice line of Ladies' Dress Skirts of the latest fashion, every Skirt is fitted on a form when made, so we guarantee every one of them to hang well and fit the form. Colored Parsols, 15c to \$1.75. Umbrellas, 35c to \$3.00.

The Bazar Dress Maker,

which contains over 600 different styles of garments; also leave your subscription for this magazine—only 50c a year, including one free pattern. The McCall Bazar patterns are sold at 10 and 15c, none higher. These patterns are absolutely correct, and recommended with the greatest confidence as the best fitting, most economical of any in the market. McCall's patterns are so easily understood, and the printed directions so plain, that the most inexperienced can use them, every part is designated by notches and perforations so that there is no guess working in putting them together. Don't fail to leave your subscription.

Resp. submitted to the Cash Trade

E. V. ELDER, RICHMOND

Will surprise you when you find such good values for such small prices! Prices lower than elsewhere, and many prices so low as to seem incredible.

TALK IS CHEAP!

Our prices are cheaper than our talk. It's for you to prove it, to your own advantage, by comparing the goods side by side, that's the only test, and the difference will surprise you. If you don't already know our reason for knowing this, we have before purchasing any article thoroughly compared it with the lowest quotations obtainable, then adding our regular small profit, (a profit so small that no other competitor would ever think of), we offer it to you as the final and best value obtainable.

Great labor has been spent to make the Spring and Summer line pleasing to every one, and the prices will speak for themselves, and convince you that they are, BY FAR, cheaper than you can buy them elsewhere. Don't take our word, but come and prove it to yourself.

Our store is constantly looking to the interests of its patrons, and attracts a following that is lasting. No one can become so familiar with all kinds of goods as to be able to judge their values accurately, much must be left to The Store upon its representation. Our's is the kind where it is safe to shop, for we insist that no goods be misrepresented, as our merchandise backs up our statements.

Clothing Department.

Our Spring line of Clothing is complete. Correct styles in high grade, reliable qualities. Prices to suit every one. Men's Suits from \$2 up. We are well supplied with nobby goods of every kind, for little Boys, big Boys and Youths. Call and let us show you through this department. Boys Suits from 75c to \$1.75. Boys Knee Pants, 10c to 95c.

Millinery Department.

Did you visit this department? If not do so and see what you have missed. It is impossible to make you realize the values this department offers unless you see the goods. They are the prices that seem incredible—yet so all powerful is spot cash that it does the seemingly impossible. Our line is free from out of date goods and trash, so that our customers may buy with confidence. Call and convince yourself.

CORSETS.

We carry in stock about 18 different makes of Corsets. Among which you will find all good old stand-bys, such as the R. & G., P. & N., H. & W., W. & B., Armorside, etc. All of which you will find to be standard goods. Call and see them.

NOTIONS.

Hat pins, 1c; needles, 1c; darning needles, 2c each; 1 ball tape, 1c; shoe-blacking, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5c per box; tweezers, 5c; coat springs, 5c; brass rings, 15c per gross; Ladies' belts from 10c up to fancy belts, from 25c up; corset suspenders, from 2 to 50c; Ladies' handkerchiefs, 1 to 50c; Ladies' chamois bags, 10c up; purses, 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50c; spectacles, 10, 20, 30c and \$1; handy mending tissue, 10c; hooks and eyes, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5c; thimbles, 1, 2 and 3c; hair retainers, 2, 3 and 5c; 12 yards lace, 5c; talc, 5c; up-suit cases, \$1; Japanese 4-fold screens, 20c; Japanese 2-fold screens, 75c; 1,000 tooth-picks, 5c; rubber erasers, 1c; thread, 1, 2 and 3c; base balls, 5, 10 and 15c; kid cutter, 2, 3 and 5c; pompadour combs, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30c; fine combs, 5 and 10c; coarse combs, 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25c; Ladies' hose supporters, 10, 15, 20 and 25c; tents' hose supporter, 10 and 25c; 144 white prize buttons, 5c; 12 collar buttons, 5c; the fencing girl blouse set, 25c; the Dresden, hand applied, 50c per set; the new perfection skirt holder, 25c; towel racks, 5c; French harps, 5 to 25c; hand mirrors, 10 and 15c; the Solids perfume, 5 and 10c; Cologne perfume, 5c; Florida water, 25c; Kyvian Fragrant Cream is a delightful preparation for the face and hands—12 softens and beautifies the skin—only 25c and 50c per bottle; tooth-wash, 25c; hair tonic, 25c and 50c; violet water, 25c and 50c per bottle; toilet glycerine, 25c; buggy whips, 10, 15, 20, 25, up to 40c; hair brushes, 10 to 40c; clothing brushes, 10 to 40c; shaving brushes, 5 to 25c; tooth brushes, 5 to 25c; comb brushes, 10c; shoe brushes, 10 to 25c; horse brushes, white wash brushes, 15 to 45c; ink, 4c per bottle; machine oil, 5c; mullage, 4c; gilt edge shoe polish, 10 and 20c per bottle; talcum, 1 to 10c each; 60 sheets of writing paper, 5c; legal cap, 25 sheets, 5c; 50 envelopes, 5c; crepe paper, 2 and 15c; talcum powder, 5 to 15c per box; large size bottles of petroleum jelly, 5c; 100 marbles for 5c; pencil box—composed of both lead and slate pencils, pen holder and ruler—all for 10c; pencils, 1 to 5c; erasers, 5c per box; cuticle soap, 10c; cake or bar soap, 5c; Ball glycerine and castile soap, 5c per cake; crayons, 5c per box; We have Webster's Dictionary with 1,500 illustrations and an appendix of 10,000 words, supplemented with new citations of geography, synonyms and antonyms, notes de plume, foreign phrases, abbreviations, etc., and our price is only \$1.50. Every person should take advantage of this grand offer, before they are all gone. We have just received a full line of Picture Frames, in natural wood, and white trimmed in gilt. Frames to hold 1, 2, 3 and 4 photos, at 12, 20 and 25c; 6x2 1/2, \$2.10, \$2.10, \$2.10.

Hardware Department.

Our complete line is here presented, as larger than heretofore, and we do not believe that any article can be duplicated elsewhere at as low a price. Below are some of the thousand and one little things we carry: Mouse traps, 5c; large spoons, 4c; dippers, 5c; tea pot crowns stand, 4c; comb case, 10c; champagne ice picks, 10c; shell brackets, 10 and 25c; meat choppers, 10c; the best weather indicator, cottage barometer; the egg beater, 5c; nutting grater; egg scramblers, 4c; strainers, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10c; lamp chimney stove, 10c; clock with alarm, 40c; eight day clock, \$2.25; safe, 1, 2, 3, and 5c per dozen, pure aluminum hair pins, 5c per dozen; hair pins 10c up; brass pins, 1 and 5c per dozen; curling rods and 5c; stove up lifters, 5c; the celebrated hatchet, 40c; extra good fish hooks, 5c per dozen; fish bones 1c each; snaps, 1c; tack claws, 5c; files, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10c; asbestos sheets, 5c; 4c per set; table spoons, 6c per set; clinch rivets, 5c per box; cutlery nails, 5c; spring balances, 10 weight 25c; 75c; picture hooks 5c per gross; nail hooks, 10, 15 and 20c; carvers, 75c per set; shears 10, 15, 20, 25 and 35c; paring knives, 5c; butcher knives, 10 to 25c; table knives and forks, 25c to \$1.15; pocket knives, 5 to 50c; bird cage spring, 5c; tacks 10c per box; matting tacks, 2c per box; weeders, 5c; brass kates, 10c; large meat fork, 5c; Ward and staff holders 10c per pair; Ward & Butler Razors, 50c each; Ladies, 3 and 5c; waiters, 10, 12 and 15c; stew pans, 10 and 15c; granite wash pans 15c; pie pans 1c; 20 marbles 1c.

Those who repair their shoes will please note the bargain we offer in repairing outfit, composed of three lasts, one each of pegging and sewing and one knife, three boxes of tacks and one hammer, and the price will surprise you—only 50 cents.

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